



# **PRESS RELEASE**

### San Antonio Feral Cat Coalition Receives \$15,000 Grant from PetSmart Charities

San Antonio, TX — March 22, 2025 — The San Antonio Feral Cat Coalition (SAFCC) is proud to announce that it has been awarded a \$15,000 grant from PetSmart Charities to support its Community Cat Adoption Program (CCAP). This grant, which was recommended for approval after SAFCC submitted its application, will provide crucial funding to help prepare more cats for adoption and find them loving homes.

<u>PetSmart Charities</u> connects adoption partners such as **the San Antonio Feral Cat Coalition** with local PetSmart stores to bring adoptable pets into in-store Adoption Centers and events. These include cats of all ages, breeds, temperaments, and energy levels. PetSmart Staff and SAFCC volunteers are available to help make matches for people looking to adopt.

"Our program relies entirely on volunteers and donations, and PetSmart Charities' commitment to animal welfare makes a tremendous impact," says SAFCC's Foster Coordinator, Melissa Christman. "With their help, we can continue saving lives, placing cats in loving homes, and promoting responsible pet ownership in our community."

"Our local shelter and rescue partners are overflowing with animals looking for people to love. Adopting or fostering a pet not only enriches your life but is the best way to support your community and local partners like the **San Antonio Feral Cat Coalition** in their lifesaving work," said Heidi Marston, director of pet placement at PetSmart Charities. "There is nothing like the unconditional love of a pet! Please stop by your neighborhood PetSmart store and meet your new best friend."







# For more information about the San Antonio Feral Cat Coalition, visit <u>sanantonioferalcats.org</u>. ###

#### **About San Antonio Feral Cat Coalition**

San Antonio Feral Cat Coalition is a nonprofit organization that is dedicated to humanely reducing the feral and stray cat population through rescue and Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) in Bexar County. Since 2005, SAFCC has trained over 14,000 people to do TNR, has rescued and found homes for almost 10,000 cats and kittens, and has subsidized the spay/neuter of over 52,000 cats! Our programs and services include: Trap-Neuter-Return training, free trap loans, a Helpline for advice & resources, subsidized low cost spay/neuter for the public, a home-based Foster / Adoption Program, a Trapper Team to help elderly and disabled, a spay/neuter clinic for our Trapper Team and foster cats, a winter shelter program, and a fund to help pay for urgent medical/surgical care. We are a volunteer organization and welcome your help and support. Visit SanAntonioFeralCats.org or follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn to join our team in making a difference in the lives of outdoor cats.

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